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SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 17, line 1 with the following paragraph, in which no new matter has been added:

During stage S312 the hands-free system 133 receives an initial vehicle engine input for the hands-free algorithm. The vehicle engine input parameter will provide information about the rotation rates of various [[part]] parts of the engine. The rotation rate of the tires is included in this input parameter. The tire rotation allows the algorithm to calculate the speed of the MVCU 110 and the expected noise level in the MVCU 110 due to the flow of air in and around the MVCU 110. In one embodiment of this invention, the state of the vehicle windows, for example, open, closed or percent open, is included in the noise parameter. When the windows are open, the noise will increase by a factor, which depends upon the speed of the MVCU 110. The algorithm will calculate the audio level in the vehicle based on which windows are open and by how much. The vehicle engine input parameter from one or more sensors 136 in the vehicle engine or the body of the MVCU 110 will be transmitted through the vehicle communication bus 112 to the speech recognition application 139 of DSP 122. The speech recognition application 139 transmits the vehicle engine input to the hands-free system 133.